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APPLICANT(S) FOR DO/EO/US Russell Vaughan Meddes; Michael John Hinton								
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3.	_	This is an express request to begin national examination procedures (35 U.S.C. 371 (f)). The submission must include items (5), (6), (9) and (21) indicated below.						
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